

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A hugger ceiling fan anchoring bracket and housing assembly comprising:
 - (i) a fan anchoring bracket ~~equipped with~~comprising a hook-up means, and a stationary lock-up means and a stationary locking device housing engaging flange, wherein said stationary lock-up means comprises a locking plate mounted on the anchoring bracket and a pin protruding therefrom through a coil spring; whereby said spring biasing action exerted by the lock-up means is achieved by said coil spring cooperatively urging said pin against said corresponding hole on the fan housing and wherein said pin engages a hole in said stationary locking device housing engaging flange;
 - (ii) said hook-up means and stationary lock-up means are mountably attached to the fan anchoring bracket and said stationary lock-up means capable of exerting spring biasing action to lock a fan housing in a secure position; and
 - (iii) the fan housing equipped with corresponding means for engaging the hook-up means and the stationary lock-up means.
2. (Canceled).
3. (Canceled).

4. (Canceled).

5. (Previously Presented) The assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said pin has a head portion in the shape of a round-headed cone.

6. (Withdrawn) A down-rod ceiling fan anchoring bracket and canopy assembly comprising:

(i) a fan anchoring bracket equipped with a hook-up means and a lock-up means;
(ii) said hook-up means and lock-up means are mountably attached to the fan anchoring bracket and said lock-up means capable of exerting spring biasing action to lock a fan canopy in a secure position; and
(iii) the fan canopy equipped with corresponding means to engage the hook-up means and the lock-up means.

(iv)

7. (Withdrawn) The assembly as claimed in claim 6, wherein said hook-up means is one or more screws or pins.

8. (Withdrawn) The assembly as claimed in claim 6, wherein said means for engaging the hook-up means and the lock-up means on the canopy are holes sized to correspond to the dimension of said hook-up means and lock-up means.

9. (Withdrawn) The assembly as claimed in claim 8, wherein said lock-up means comprises a locking plate mounted on the anchoring bracket and a pin protruding therefrom;

whereby said spring biasing action exerted by the lock-up means is achieved by a L-shaped resilient C-wire cooperatively urging said pin against said corresponding hole on the canopy.

10. (Withdrawn) The assembly as claimed in claim 9, wherein said pin has a head portion in the shape of a round-headed cone and a tail portion with a shallow longitudinal slot in the middle to cooperatively and biasingly receive an urging end of the L-shaped resilient C-wire.